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in the Eberswalde and Bernau Areas

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which gives information on the following: (1) A motorized column which came from the direction of Finow and proceeded en route toward Freinenwalde with regular trucks, plus mobile workshops, tank trucks, howitzers, and AT guns, (2) Tracked prime movers, Model 1954, unloaded at the Eberswalde goods station, and (3) Trucks, covered tracked vehicles, and T-34's at the Bernau railway bridge. The tracked vehicles had cylindrical structures; the T-34's carried sloping steel structures. A sketch showing both the tracked vehicles with cylindrical structures, and the T-34's with sloping steel structures is also included.

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EAST GERMANY

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MILITARY TRANSPORTS AND TROOP MOVEMENTS

IN THE EBERSWALDE AND BERNAI AREAS

(Second half Sep 57)

1. EBERSWALDE

16 Sep 57

From 1930 - 2230 hrs a large Soviet motorised column coming from the direction of FINOW passed through EBERSWALDE in the direction of FREIENWALDE.

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- (i) various types, total number unknown, but well over 100.
- (ii) Workshop trucks, at least 20.
- (iii)
- (iv) Howitzers (probably 122 and 152mm), 8 - 10.
- (v) AT guns (probably 85mm), 12 - 16.

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EBERSWALDE GOODS STATION

(a) 26 Sep 57

From 0800 - 0900 hrs the following were off-loaded:

10 factory new tracked prime movers M1954.

These vehicles arrived completely covered with tarpaulins which

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were removed during off-loading after which all the vehicles left under their own power carrying only the driver and drove through EBERSWALDE in an easterly direction.

(a) 30 Sep 57

From 1100 - 1300 hrs the following transport was off-loaded:

20 tracked prime movers M 1954.

These were also driven away under their own power in an easterly direction.

3. BERNAU RAILWAY BRIDGE17 Sep 57

At 1500 hrs a military goods train of about 50 [ ] was standing on and overlapping at the forward end, the railway bridge which crosses the BERNAU/BERLIN road. The locomotive was pointing in the direction of BERLIN.

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The following were identified:

- (i) A number of [ ] various types.
- (ii) 8 - 10 completely covered tracked vehicles with super-structure.
- (iii) 8 x T.34 tanks uncovered.

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At 1600 hrs the off-loading by Soviet troops had started and the tarpaulins were being pulled away. The following further details were observed:

- (i) A T.34 chassis carried a sloping rectangular multicruciform steel framework of approximately the width of the chassis and slightly longer. In general as shown in the attached sketch No. 1.
- (ii) 3 - 4 tracked AFVs. It was not possible to see the number of bogey wheels. In place of the turret was a cylindrical structure about 80 cm high and about 1.2m in diameter. The vehicle looked less massive than an ordinary tank. The [ ] appearance of the vehicle was as shown on the attached sketch No. 2. They were painted dark green.

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4. BERNAU GOODS STATION17 Sep 57

At 1930 hrs the vehicles described in para 3 above were standing at the exit road of the loading ramp just off the approach to the BERLINER CHAUSSÉE. The loading ramp, the exit road and the off-loaded vehicles were guarded by armed sentries. The station of origin and of destination of this transport is not known.

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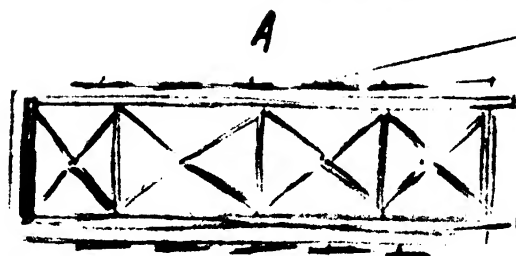
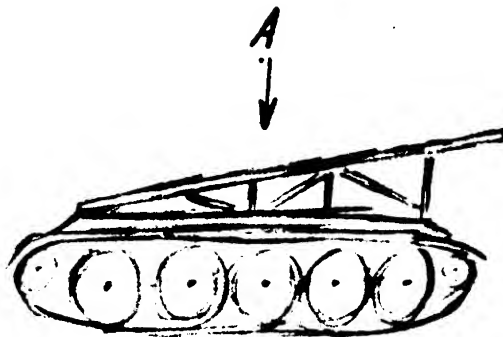
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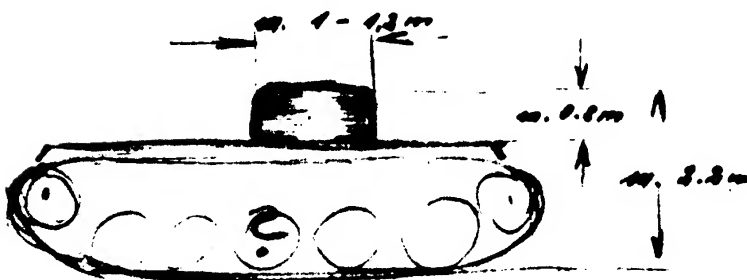
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